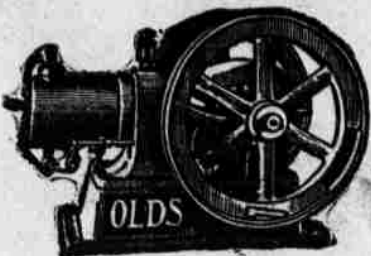


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By and by the train went on. Presently it stopped, apparently in the middle of a field. This time the stranger did not inquire into the reason for halting. But after another 20 minutes the same thing occurred. Finally he broke out again:

"What are we stopping here for? Isn't any station here, is they?" "No station," said Silas. "We're stopping for water."

"Water!" exclaimed the other. "Water! Why, we just took in water not five minutes ago. What do you mean?" "Boiler leaks," said Silas, patiently; and the other relapsed into silence.—Youth's Companion.

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